

FW: objection to -planning for 400+houses in Pyrford

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Wednesday 29th July 2015,

Dear MS Jackson,

My name is Luke and I am 12 years old. I have lived in Pyrford for 8 years. My parents moved here to be near the countryside. I love wildlife and enjoy walking around the countryside and open spaces, seeing what I can spot and photograph. I am deeply upset and saddened by the proposals to build on the corn fields.

These fields sustain wildlife all year round, seeking refuge and shelter in the corn fields. For example both field mice and grass snakes thrive here and yet both are under threat throughout the rest of Britain.

To this day: corvids (like magpies, Carian crows, rooks, jays, jackdaws and ravens), roe deer, brown rats, rabbits, **field mice**, common shrews, **pipistrelle bats**, stoats, foxes, **badgers**, grey squirrels, harvest mice, wood mice, yellow necked mice, moles, **hedgehogs**, pheasants and dormice. Reptiles like the **grass snake**. Birds include; **herring gull** (a conservationist species) use the corn fields as a hunting ground, **red kites**, buzzards, kestrels, sparrow hawks, tawny owls, little owls, green woodpeckers, starlings, gold finches, blue tits, great tits, sparrows, swallows and swifts in summer. Insects like crickets, bumble bees, honey bees; peacock, red admiral, tortoise shell, and meadow brown butterflies and lots more. This land provides a whole diverse ecosystems for millions of different plants, fungi, lichen and animals.

Over the years I have enjoyed taking photos and walking my dog down there, not to be confronted by an industrial site. The corn fields are enjoyed by many people and I know that I am definitely not the only one who would be deeply saddened if the fields were lost to buildings. The thing I love about Pyrford is the green belt and I hate to imagine my life without it; by building there you're not only taking away part of our countryside but also destroying much cherished land to many animals big or small who live here.

Thank you for reading my letter, and I pray that you will take my letter into consideration and hopefully spare the lives of many animals.

Yours faithfully,

Luke Allington.

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